

Calendar No. 544

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 1548****[Report No. 109–301]**

To provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city
of Coffman Cove, Alaska.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 28, 2005

Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. STEVENS) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Nat-
ural Resources

JULY 31, 2006

Reported by Mr. DOMENICI, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land
to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Coffman Cove Admin-
5 istrative Site Conveyance Act of 2005”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds that—

3 (1) the community of Coffman Cove, Alaska,
4 which originated as a logging camp in the 1960's,
5 was incorporated as a city in 1989;

6 (2) the Forest Service property located in the
7 center of the City was used by the Forest Service as
8 a work center;

9 (3) the Forest Service work facilities included
10 part of the logging camp, a log sort yard, and a log
11 transfer site, all of which supported the long-term
12 timber sale operations and other subsequent timber
13 sales in the Tongass National Forest;

14 (4) as the long-term timber sale operations con-
15 cluded, the need for the Forest Service to use the
16 Forest Service site in Coffman Cove diminished;

17 (5) the Forest Service work center facilities
18 that supported timber operations have been removed
19 and the site has been restored;

20 (6) the location of the administrative site inter-
21 feres with the ability of the City to further develop
22 commercial operations and tourism support facilities
23 relating to a new ferry terminal;

24 (7) the City wants to acquire a portion of the
25 site to continue the transition of the City from a

1 timber-dependent economy to a more fully developed
2 and diversified economy; and

3 (8) the Forest Service expects that only ap-
4 proximately 3 acres of the administrative site will be
5 used in the future for National Forest System pur-
6 poses.

7 **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this Act:

9 (1) CITY.—The term “City” means the city of
10 Coffman Cove, Alaska.

11 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
12 the Secretary of Agriculture.

13 **SEC. 4. CONVEYANCE.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
15 sion of law, the Secretary shall convey to the City, without
16 consideration and without additional warrants or liability
17 on behalf of the United States, fee simple title to the par-
18 cel of Forest Service land described in subsection (b).

19 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The parcel of Forest Service
21 land referred to in subsection (a) is the approxi-
22 mately 12 acres of land identified in U.S. Survey
23 10099, as depicted on the plat entitled “Subdivision
24 of U.S. Survey No. 10099” and recorded as Plat

1 ~~2003-1~~ on January 21, 2003, Petersburg Recording
 2 District, Alaska.

3 ~~(2) EXCLUDED LAND.~~—The parcel of Forest
 4 Service land conveyed under subsection (a) does not
 5 include the portion of U.S. Survey 10099 that is
 6 north of the right-of-way for Forest Development
 7 Road ~~3030-295~~ and southeast of Tract CC-8.

8 ~~(c) RIGHT-OF-WAY.~~—The United States may reserve
 9 a right-of-way to provide access to the Forest Service land
 10 excluded from the conveyance to the City under subsection
 11 ~~(b)(2).~~

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 14 *trative Site Conveyance Act of 2006”.*

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 18 Coffman Cove, Alaska.

19 (2) *SECRETARY.*—The term “Secretary” means
 20 the Secretary of Agriculture.

21 **SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE.**

22 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subject to valid existing rights, the
 23 Secretary shall convey to the City, without consideration
 24 and by quitclaim deed all right, title, and interest of the
 25 United States, except as provided in subsections (c) and (d),

1 *in and to the parcel of National Forest System land de-*
 2 *scribed in subsection (b).*

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 5 *System land referred to in subsection (a) is the ap-*
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 17 *a right-of-way to provide access to the National Forest Sys-*
 18 *tem land excluded from the conveyance to the City under*
 19 *subsection (b)(2).*

20 *(d) REVERSION.—If any portion of the land conveyed*
 21 *under subsection (a) (other than a portion of land sold*
 22 *under subsection (e)) ceases to be used for public purposes,*
 23 *the land shall, at the option of the Secretary, revert to the*
 24 *United States.*

1 *(e) CONDITIONS ON SUBSEQUENT CONVEYANCES.—If*
2 *the City sells any portion of the land conveyed to the City*
3 *under subsection (a)—*

4 *(1) the amount of consideration for the sale shall*
5 *reflect fair market value, as determined by an ap-*
6 *praisal; and*

7 *(2) the City shall pay to the Secretary an*
8 *amount equal to the gross proceeds of the sale, which*
9 *shall be available, without further appropriation, for*
10 *the Tongass National Forest.*

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